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# **AUSTRALIAN CENTURION WALKERS AGM**

Leighoak Hotel, Oakleigh, VIC Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2019

Meeting Start: 12:45PM

Members in Attendance: T O'Neill, K O'Neill, T Erickson, L Erickson, S Cooper, M Thompson

J Scholz, S Scholz

**Apologies:** M Harvey, C Jack, I Jack, M Porter, J Kilmartin

All overseas and interstate based members

The President Terry O'Neill opened the meeting and welcomed all present.

The minutes of the previous AGM were taken as read (moved T Erickson, seconded T O'Neill).

## Reports:

The Annual Report was presented by the secretary Tim Erickson.

The report was carried by a show of hands.

#### **Election of Office Bearers:**

As the election of office bearers is only required every second year, the following were confirmed to continue in their roles for a second year.

Club Executive President Terry O'Neill (C18)

Vice PresidentRobin Whyte (C29)TreasurerLois EricksonSecretaryTim Erickson (C13)

General Committee Records and Rankings Officer

Assistant Secretary -

General members of Committee Karyn O'Neill (C45)

Michelle Thompson (C 58) John Kilmartin (C 67)

## **Gordon Smith Award Confirmation:**

The 2018 Gordon Smith Award (for the best individual performance by any Australian Centurion in 2018) was announced as awarded to Claire Tallent of South Australia, for her 50km roadwalk performance of 4:09:33.

## **General Business**

1. The first item of General Business concerned the following motion:

Only track based performances will be considered for all records up to and including 24 Hours and 100 Miles (ie 6H, 12H, 24H, 50M, 100M, 100km).

Both track and road based performances will be considered for all multi-day distance and time related records (ie 200km, 500km, 2 Day, 6 Day).

Proposed Tim Erickson, Seconded Terry O'Neill

The idea behind this motion was to bring us more into line with the Australian Assn of Ultra Runners (AURA) which, in 2015, changed its ruleset to create a single record for best time or distance, regardless of surface. Currrently, our rules dictate that all Australian ultra walking records be track based.

This motion had been previously circulated to all centurion members. All responses were reviewed at the meeting.

After significant discussion, the following amendment was put to the meeting:

Both Track and Road performances in excess of 24 Hours are to be subject to Committee review.

Proposed Justin Scholz, Seconded Terry O'Neill.

The amendment was passed by a show of hands. The amended motion was then passed by a show of hands.

The website and records lists will be amended to reflect the new status of multi-day record keeping.

The meeting reiterated that the usual caveats should still apply - we would need to be warned in advance, and the granting of any record would remain dependant on our ability to view the performance ourselves or obtain verification by suitably trustworthy people (eg event managers, etc).

2. The second item of General Business concerned the status of 50km as an ultra distance walking event. It was felt by some members that, since the women's 50km is now officially recognised by the IAAF and included in major championships, it no longer needs specific Australian Centurion support.

The following motion was put to the meeting

That the rules governing the Gordon Smith Award be amended to indicate that the award will only consider performance of 6 Hours duration or further or in excess of 50km.

Proposed Terry O'Neill, Seconded Justin Scholz

The motion was passed by a show of hands.

**Meeting Closed:** 1:20PM